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36th Floor

1600 Market Street

Docket: 1102-98

Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dated: September 22, 2000

<u>RESPONSE</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 22, 2000, we hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-9, 24 and 25 drawn to a chimeric protein. Within that group, we also elect the molecule (1) specified in Claim 3. Claims 3, 4-9, 24 and 25 are readable upon the elected single species and all of elected Claims 1-9, 24 and 25 are drawn to a chimeric protein embraced in Group I.

We, of course, reserve the right to continue prosecution of non-elected species upon allowance of a generic claim.

We look forward with interest to the Examiner's Action on the merits of the elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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